

PEI PLAN APPROVAL SUMMARY

County: MADERA

Review History:

Original Plan Submitted: **February 5, 2009** Formal Review Meeting: **March 4, 2009**

Letter Providing Review Team Feedback: March 5, 2009

Conference Call with County to Review Feedback: March 9, 2009

Plan Recommended for Approval: March 27, 2009

Plan Projects:

This PEI Plan has 5 projects:

- 1) The Connected Communities Program
- 2) Community Outreach and Wellness Center
- 3) Community and Family Education
- 4) School Based Services
- 5) Focus on Early Intervention

Madera County Plan Strengths:

- The outreach efforts at venues such as migrant labor camps, Rancherias, Area Agencies on Aging (AAA's), farmers markets, and with indigenous Oaxacan organizations were impressive.
- MHSA staff conducted outreach in mountain communities as well as other cities and unincorporated (rural) areas within Madera County.
- The projects address disparities in the county's targeted communities, especially Latinos and Native-Americans.
- The expansion of the Wellness Center, Hope House, will serve the unique age-specific and cultural-specific prevention needs of various groups.
- Services will be provided in the mountain areas of Madera County and provide outreach to rural populations with Prevention and Early Intervention activities.
- Promotores/Community Workers will act as liaisons between the mental health system and community residents.
- Parenting programs include Los Niño Bien Educados for Latino families and Effective Black Parenting for African-American families.

The Plan Review Team Recommends: APPROVAL

BUDGET: 1,247,900